

BRIEF BIOGRAPHICAL NOTES OF SOME OF THE PARTIES TO THE
CORRESPONDENCE.

- Abercromby, James (1706-1781), Major-General. Commanded the British forces in America after the recall of Loudoun.
- Albemarle, William, Earl of (1702-1754), was British Ambassador at the Court of Versailles.
- Amherst, Jeffrey (1717-1797). He was sent out to America with the rank of Major-General, after the recall of Loudoun in 1758, and was successful in the operations in Canada and on the lakes. In 1763 he was made Governor of Virginia, and was raised to the peerage in 1776.
- Anson, George (1697-1762), the celebrated navigator. Created Baron Anson, 1747. First lord of the Admiralty 1751-56, and 1757.
- Belcher, Jonathan (1681-1757). Governor of Massachusetts, 1730-1741; of New Jersey, 1747-1757.
- Blair, John (1689-1771). President of the Virginia Council, and acting Governor of Virginia in 1757-58.
- Boscawen, Edward (1711-1761). Rear-Admiral, 1755; Vice-Admiral, 1756. In conjunction with Amherst, who commanded the land forces, he reduced Louisbourg and Cape Breton in 1758.
- Bouquet, Henry (1719-1766). Lieut.-Col. in the British army in 1756. Brig.-General 1765. He co-operated with Forbes in the reduction of Fort Du Quesne.
- Braddock, Edward (1695-1755). After more than forty years of uneventful service in England and on the Continent, he was made Major-General in 1754, and appointed to command the operations against the French in America, where he arrived Feb. 20, 1755. On his arrival he summoned a council of Governors, at which four expeditions were decided on: against Niagara, Crown Point, Louisbourg, and Fort Du Quesne. The last expedition Braddock commanded in person; and falling into an ambuscade of a small body of French and Indians, on July 9, 1755, when about 7 miles from the fort, his advance was routed with great slaughter, and he was himself mortally wounded.
- Bradstreet, John (1711-1774). Adjutant-General to Gov. Shirley in 1755. Served against Ticonderoga and Crown Point 1758-59. Major-General 1772.
- Calvert, Cecilius. Son of Benedict Leonard, fourth Lord Baltimore, and uncle of Frederick, to whom he held the place of Secretary for Maryland.
- Calvert, Frederick, sixth and last Baron Baltimore. He was born in 1731, and succeeded his father, Charles, in 1751. In 1753 he married Lady Diana Egerton, youngest daughter of the Duke of Bridgewater, from whom he afterwards separated. He seems to have cared little or nothing for his Province, except as a source of revenue; and his